S. 3166

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

October 5 (legislative day, September 22), 2000

Mr. Bingaman introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Information Tech-
- 5 nology Share-in-Savings Program Improvement Act of
- 6 2000".

1 SEC. 2. PURPOSES.

2	The purposes of this Act are to provide individual
3	federal agencies and the executive branch as a whole with
4	increased incentives to use the share-in-savings program
5	under the Clinger-Cohen Act of 1996 and to ease the use
6	of such program.
7	SEC. 3. EXPANSION OF AUTHORITY.
8	Section 5311 of the Clinger-Cohen Act of 1996 (divi-
9	sions D and E of Public Law 104–106; 110 Stat. 692;
10	40 U.S.C. 1491) is amended—
11	(1) in subsection (a)—
12	(A) by striking "the heads of two executive
13	agencies to carry out" and inserting "heads of
14	executive agencies to carry out a total of five
15	projects under";
16	(B) by striking "and" at the end of para-
17	graph (1);
18	(C) by striking the period at the end of
19	paragraph (2) and inserting "; and; and
20	(D) by adding at the end the following:
21	"(3) encouraging the use of the contracting and
22	sharing approach described in paragraphs (1) and
23	(2) by allowing the head of the executive agency con-
24	ducting a project under the pilot program—
25	"(A) to retain, out of the appropriation ac-
26	counts of the executive agency in which savings

1	computed under paragraph (2) are realized as
2	a result of the project, up to the amount equal
3	to half of the excess of—
4	"(i) the total amount of the savings,
5	over
6	"(ii) the total amount of the portion
7	of the savings paid to the private sector
8	source for such project under paragraph
9	(2); and
10	"(B) to use the retained amount to acquire
11	additional information technology.";
12	(2) in subsection (b)—
13	(A) by inserting "a project under" after
14	"authorized to carry out"; and
15	(B) by striking "carry out one project
16	and"; and
17	(3) by striking subsection (c) and inserting the
18	following:
19	"(c) Evolution Beyond Pilot Program.—(1)
20	The Administrator may provide general authority to the
21	heads of executive agencies to use a share-in-savings con-
22	tracting approach to the acquisition of information tech-
23	nology solutions for improving mission-related or adminis-
24	trative processes of the Federal Government if—

- 1 "(A) after reviewing the experience under the
- 2 five projects carried out under the pilot program
- 3 under subsection (a), the Administrator finds that
- 4 the approach offers the Federal Government an op-
- 5 portunity to improve its use of information tech-
- 6 nology and to reduce costs; and
- 7 "(B) issues guidance for the exercise of that
- 8 authority.
- 9 "(2) For the purposes of paragraph (1), a share-in-
- 10 savings contracting approach provides for contracting as
- 11 described in paragraph (1) of subsection (a) together with
- 12 the sharing and retention of amounts saved as described
- 13 in paragraphs (2) and (3) of that subsection.
- 14 "(3) In exercising the authority provided to the Ad-
- 15 ministrator in paragraph (1), the Administrator shall con-
- 16 sult with the Administrator for the Office of Information
- 17 and Regulatory Affairs.
- 18 "(d) Availability of Retained Savings.—
- 19 Amounts retained by the head of an executive agency
- 20 under subsection (a)(3) or subsection (c) shall, without
- 21 further appropriation, be available for the executive agen-
- 22 cy for the acquisition of information technology and shall
- 23 remain available until expended. Amounts so retained
- 24 from any appropriation of the executive agency not other-
- 25 wise available for the acquisition of information technology

- 1 shall be transferred to any appropriation of the executive
- 2 agency that is available for such purpose.".

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